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in Gdynia During the PZPR Congress

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1. During the recent Congress of the Polish United Workers' Party (PZPR), increased security precautions were observed in Gdynia. They consisted of:
 - a. Numerous naval patrols in the city.
 - b. Increase of the Port Guards at all port installations and warehouses.
 - c. Three WOP (Military Border Guard) sentries (instead of two) by each ship in the harbor. Each crane operator was also supervised by a WOP guard.
 - d. On Polish vessels the gangway was guarded by two seamen instead of one, and the officer of the watch was not allowed to undress during the night.
 - e. The ships were also guarded for 24 hours by a fireman from the Port Fire Service.
 - f. The ships were controlled (inspected ?) every two hours by inspectors from the Port Administration Office.
2. The increase in vigilance was prompted by the fear of possible acts of sabotage. Nevertheless, the general public did not show any interest in the Congress. There were rumors that the Congress had been postponed from December to March because shortly before December an (unspecified) "dollar affair" (sic) had been exposed among members of the Central Committee of the Party, resulting in numerous arrests.

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